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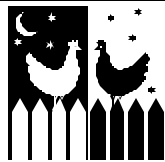
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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand into all areas covered the full range with best interest going into fast food for promotions and ads; however, retail interest continued to be affected by extreme heat in the Midwest. Supplies were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, all items were generally adequate or available with movement light and selective to fair. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were irregular, but mostly desirable.

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cent to 65.25 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 60.00 cents last year on the 9th of August, 2000.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

### DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)

ITEM  
LINE RUN TENDERS  
BREASTS - B/S  
BREASTS - WHOLE  
THIGH MEAT - B/S  
LEG QUARTERS  
WINGS

210.00  
149.00  
77.00  
95.50  
34.00  
95.50

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**SOUTHERN** Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand was light to moderate, best for ads. Food service was fair to fairly good, best into fast foods. Supplies were in good balance for trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was fair to active aided by features, export business for dark meat, and further processing needs. Availability was balanced to well cleared. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed, but mostly desirable.

**NORTHEAST** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers continued light to fair at best as dealers attempted to keep floor stocks closely balanced. Offerings of all sizes were at least adequate to available, although, the 2.5 pound birds were in the longer position. Movement into retail and distributive channels was limited. The market tone was no better than steady. In the parts complex, breast items ranged balanced to adequate. Dark meat cuts were sufficient. Wings were available.

**MIDWEST** The market tone on whole fryers was steady. Additional product offerings were limited on small sized product and moderate on heavier Wogs and whole fryers. Retail demand was mixed, slow in areas of Michigan and Chicago and light to fairly good elsewhere. Food service movement was light to good, best into fast food accounts. Continued hot weather noted as affecting shopper interest. Floor stocks were adequate to ample. Sizes were in a full range. Parts trading was slow to moderate. Supplies were sufficient to barely adequate on dark meat and available on the balance of items. The trade sentiment was steady to instances firm on whole breasts and boneless/skinless breasts, fully steady on leg quarters with wings steady at best.

**WESTERN** The market tone was generally steady to fully steady. Offerings from out-of-state production areas generally adequate, local production in close balance. Higher temperatures started to effect live weights. Retail demand fair to moderate on whole body, moderate to good for parts; best to cover specials. Floor stocks in fair balance.

### CHICK PLACEMENT AND EGG SET TOTAL

15 STATES	PERCENT CHANGE		
WEEK ENDING 08/04/01	2001	2000	PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	183,814	178,892	+03
CHICKS PLACED	148,351	142,149	+04
EGGS SET	204,466	-	-
CHICKS PLACED	165,701	-	-

### BROILER EGGS SET IN 15 SELECTED STATES UP 3 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 184 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 4, 2001. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 4 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 148 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 4, 2001. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through August 4, 2001 were 4.57 billion, up slightly from the same period a year earlier.

### \*FOUR ADDITIONAL STATES IN WEEKLY PROGRAM

Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States were added to the weekly program for broiler eggs set in incubators and broiler chicks placed for meat production. The four additional States are Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Data collection and weekly estimates began with the week ending April 7, 2001.

Commercial hatcheries for the 19 States set a total of 204 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 04, 2001. Broiler growers in the 19 States placed 166 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 04, 2001.

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 15-Sep-01 IS ESTIMATED AT 152.1 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 151.3 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 148.8 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 136.5 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 58.38 CENTS PER POUND.

AUGUST 07, 2001

## SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

AUGUST 08, 2001

F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	828	138.00-210.00	145-148	146.51
TENDERLOINS	246	140.00-230.00	-	172.64
BREAST - LINE RUN	123	74.00-80.00	76-78	75.95
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	169	41.50-54.00	43-45	44.65
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	366	30.00-32.00	30-31	30.25
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,370	31.00-34.00	32-33	33.01
WINGS (WHOLE)	281	92.00-96.00	94-96	95.34
WINGS (CUT)	537	105.00-111.00	105-107	106.37
DRUMSTICKS	103	48.00-54.00	-	51.96
THIGHS	63	47.00-54.00	-	49.16
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	798	135.00-210.00	147-150	147.94
TENDERLOINS	1,013	140.00-230.00	140-145	144.46
BREAST - LINE RUN	117	74.00-82.00	75-79	76.34
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	409	41.50-54.00	44-47	44.83
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	406	28.50-32.00	30-31	30.33
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,250	32.00-35.00	32-34	33.15
WINGS (WHOLE)	281	92.00-96.00	94-96	95.34
WINGS (CUT)	390	105.00-111.00	107-109	107.34
DRUMSTICKS	73	47.00-55.00	-	48.42
THIGHS	70	49.00-54.00	-	50.43
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR

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F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
48.50 - 54.50	53.63	48.75 - 53.50	51.17	51.51

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

## NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS

Trucklot buying activity continued light to fair as dealers continued to keep floorstocks in close balance with demand. Offerings of breast items ranged balanced to adequate. Dark meat cuts were generally sufficient. Wings were available. Retail and distributive movement was no better than fair. The market tone was steady at best.

\*PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES

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ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	140-145	146.38	717,840
TENDERLOINS	135	139.44	124,710
BREAST - WITH RIBS	71-72	77.25	373,848
BREAST - LINE RUN	71	74.88	192,720
LEGS	42-43	46.58	243,260
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	31-32	32.02	929,180
DRUMSTICKS	40-41	44.91	233,570
THIGHS	37-38	45.30	152,260
B/S THIGHS	88-89	92.04	84,560
WINGS (WHOLE)	85-86	90.21	447,760
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.13	89,080
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.51	122,530
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	54.21	164,670

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	140-145	148.35	567,560
TENDERLOINS	135	136.51	117,886
BREAST - WITH RIBS	71-72	78.55	306,500
BREAST - LINE RUN	71	75.57	189,000
LEGS	42-43	46.38	235,920
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	31-32	32.56	506,817
DRUMSTICKS	40-41	47.72	155,590
THIGHS	37-38	45.18	140,420
B/S THIGHS	88-89	91.78	68,800
WINGS (WHOLE)	85-86	90.52	437,040
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.95	86,720
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.48	118,280
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	54.84	146,360

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

## ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	08/08	08/07	07/06	08/03	08/01
ALA	4,072	4,101	3,942	3,985	5.01
ARK	5,317	5,275	5,083	4,728	4.81
DELMARVA	2,351	2,363	2,348	2,258	5.19
KY-LA-TN	1,975	1,926	1,970	1,952	4.43
MISS	2,834	2,857	2,840	2,761	5.03
NC	2,729	2,592	2,534	3,564	5.90
TEXAS	2,378	2,377	2,300	2,358	4.68
TOTAL	21,656	21,491	21,017	21,606	5.00
MON-WED	64,572	(A)		63,150	(A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 08-Aug 01 and is estimated to be 32,400,000 up 2.68 percent from a week ago and up 2.3 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,553,000; last year 31,683,000)

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	86-88
ROASTERS 4# & UP	71-90
HENS UNDER 5#	-
HENS OVER 5#	-
DUCKS	139
RABBITS-WHOLE	-
RABBITS-CUT UP	-

## SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 95-97
	DRY PACK 96-104
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 104-113
	DRY PACK 113-123
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 98
	DRY PACK 91
DUCKS	152-166

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING AUG 11-01

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	08/11/01 (1)	08/04/01
THOUSAND HEAD		
BRO-FRY	160,573 (2)	159,924
LT HENS	1,653	1,617
HVY HENS	1,536	1,561
CHECK TOTAL	163,762	163,102

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 11-Aug-01 is 159.2 million head compared to 163.3 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 160.9 million head or 1.7 million more than estimated available. For week of 18-Aug-01 the estimated available is 159.1 million head.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)**

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 6-Aug-01	186,222	60,016
AM 1-Jul-01	166,426	63,549
CHG	19,796	-3533
PCT CHG	12	-6

**COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)**

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	08/06/01	07/30/01	08/07/00	08/06/01	07/30/01	08/07/00
PACIFIC COAST	29,838	29,155	24,711	3,643	3,427	9,699
LOS ANGELES	16,789	16,789	270	31	31	1,259

**CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS**

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 06, 2001

HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	RANGE
		52-56
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	56-65

**HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES**

FOR 08/07/01

	LOW HIGH AVG				LOW HIGH AVG		
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.35	.70	.53	HEAVY FOWL ea.	3.25	3.50	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	1.20	-	BANTAMS ea.	.50	2.50	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	.55	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	.80	1.75	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	5.25	6.50	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	3.75	-
ROOSTERS lb.	.70	.90	.76	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	.53	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	6.50	-
DUCKS lb.	.75	1.45	1.09	DUCKS ea.	2.25	8.00	-
RABBITS lb.	.35	1.00	.61	RABBITS ea.	1.00	2.75	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	2.75	3.25	-
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	2.00	7.50	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	1.40	2.50	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	3.00	4.00	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-				

TOTAL COOPS 75

**MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - Mexico City**

Cents per pound for the week ending August 3, 2001

	Whole <u>Chickens</u>	<u>Breasts</u>	Legs <u>W/ Thighs</u>	Necks, Backs <u>&amp; Wings</u>	Livers/ <u>Gizzards</u>	<u>Hens</u>
RAYON						
Low	54.49	123.84	79.26	29.72	4.95	47.06
High	59.44	133.74	89.16	37.15	5.94	47.06
Mostly	56.97	133.74	86.69	34.67	4.95	47.06

**SAN JUAN**

Low	57.96	133.74	79.26	24.77	3.96	47.06
High	61.92	138.70	89.16	32.20	5.94	47.06
Mostly	57.96	136.22	84.21	27.24	4.95	47.06

**NEW SAN JUAN**

Low	56.97	138.70	84.21	29.72	3.96	52.01
High	61.42	143.65	96.59	39.63	7.43	52.01
Mostly	59.44	138.70	91.64	32.20	4.95	52.01

**BECERRA**

Low	59.44	128.79	84.21	29.72	5.94	48.54
High	61.42	143.65	94.12	37.15	7.43	48.54
Mostly	60.43	138.70	86.69	32.20	5.94	48.54

**DELMARVA**

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds remained about moderate and activity was generally noted as typical Wednesday. Seller offerings were in good balance to fully adequate and were more readily available on the smaller sizes. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights varied in a range of light to heavy. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 70 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. In the parts complex, all items were generally noted as in balance or adequate for the light to fair and selective buying interest.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA	
	BRANDED
	U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	53-78
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	59.55
NO. OF BOXES	12,681

\*8 of 8 plants reporting.

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